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For: METHOD, SYSTEM, AND APPARATUS FOR DETACHING AND COLLECTING AN IC
TAG FROM A PAPER SHEET TO WHICH IT IS ATTACHED

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AFTER FILING OF A
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the
application as follows:

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